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1. Within the MVD Internal Troops complex, there were special prisoner escort troops known officially as Convoy Troops of the MVD (*Konvoynyye Vayska*, MVD). These troops had the specific duties of guarding prisoners and deportees en route to labor camps and colonies, and of guarding certain MVD installations. [REDACTED] their uniforms were identical with those of the regular MVD Internal Troops personnel.

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- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] Convoy Troops were used to any great extent in the forcible resettlement of minorities. The deportations were carried out on such a large scale, and with such a painstaking thoroughness, that the Convoy Troops, comparatively small in number, could not have coped with the problem. [REDACTED] the regular MVD Internal Troops were primarily used in such operations. However, he had no positive knowledge of the manner in which the resettlements were conducted.

- 25X1 3. [REDACTED] the Convoy Troops, except that they continue to exist (to the date of information).

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